

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Applicant: Basceri et al.  
Application Number: 10/039,215  
Filing Date: January 3, 2002  
Title: TOP ELECTRODE IN A STRONGLY  
OXIDIZING ENVIRONMENT  
Examiner Name: Donghee Kang  
Group Art Unit: 2811

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:

- ☐ Previously submitted:
- ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on .
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
- ☒ Enclosed:
- ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☒ Return Postcard

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2. Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months).

3. Fees:

(X) RCE fee (\$395 small entity/\$790 large entity)

() Fee for suspension (\$130)

(X) Extension of Time fee:

(X) One Month (\$55/\$110)

() Two Month (\$215/\$430)

() Three Month (\$490/\$980)


4. Payment:

(X) Check in the amount of \$900.00 to cover the above fees.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, now or in the future, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

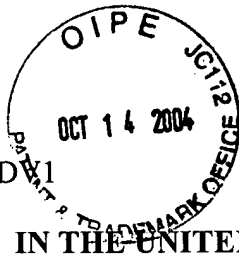
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
FILED WITH A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 10, 2004, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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